

PATENT

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Applicants : Istituto Farmacoterapico Italiano S.p.A

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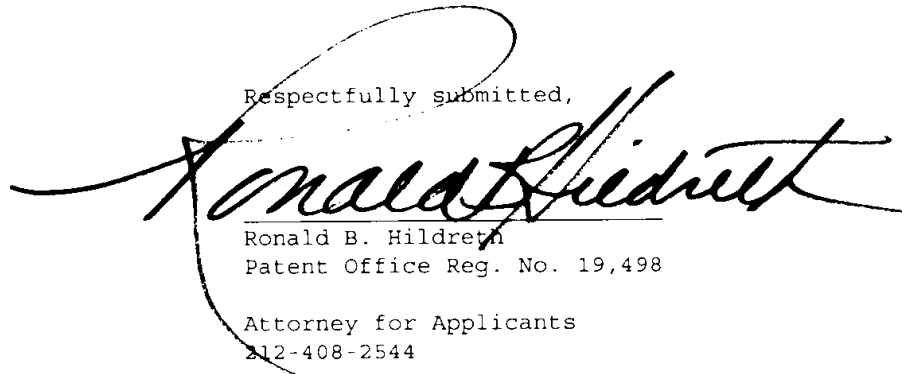
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Sir:

Applicants inquire as to the status of the above-captioned application. This application was filed on June 4, 1999, but no Office Action has been received.

Please indicate when an action on the merits can be expected by completing the lower portion of this letter and returning it to applicants' attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures

An action on the merits should be issued by _____.

Official Action was sent on _____.

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